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Trolley Lines Hit.

The decision of the supreme court of Pennsylvania calls a halt in the construction of trolley lines in that state, raising a serious obstacle to a development already well begun. It is held that these lines can exercise no right of eminent domain through the country they seek to traverse, and they are left to make with property owners such arrangements as they can.

City authorities may grant rights, but under the present law there is no authority to go further on that line. The legislature can come to the rescue, if it will, and this is the hope of the projectors of lines of this kind.

While the electric roads are primarily carriers of passengers, there are some that carry express matter, and it has been in contemplation to carry light freights on them. They serve a useful purpose, and if the profit to be derived from them shall come up to expectation enough of them will be built to add greatly to the transportation facilities of the country. There is ample room for them where steam lines are not likely to go.

It is not clear why the law should discriminate against cars moved by electric power. It would seem that the sole consideration would be the public convenience.

What May Happen.

If Minister Thurston goes home and becomes secretary of foreign affairs, otherwise secretary of state, in Hawaii, he will be on even terms with Secretary Gresham and may "jaw back" to his heart's content and to the helpless disgust of the American secretary.

Although Hawaii is a small country it is sovereign, and her secretary of foreign affairs will be constructively as big a man as Secretary Gresham. But there may be more of it than this. Mr. Thurston, become the head of the Hawaiian foreign office, may intimate politely to our government that our Minister Willis is persona non grata to his government, and if Minister Willis were not recalled on that hint Secretary Thurston could send him his passports, and Minister Willis would have to come home.

Secretary Gresham and President Cleveland would be at liberty to fret over the mortification, but that is all they could do about it. "Something in this line might be good for the health of President Cleveland's administration," which stands in sore need of a bracing tonic.

The air ship man is dead. Having wings now he will not need to bother further about an air ship.

Witch-Burning in Ireland.

The story of the burning of a woman in Ireland because her husband and relatives thought she was a witch, reads like a chapter in the history of our own country. The thing is shocking beyond description and the guilty persons are candidates for the gallows, but they have done no more than was done in this country by persons of the highest standing and intelligence.

Superstition is much the same through all history. It abides until enlightenment comes to wipe it out. There are as strong superstitions to-day as ever, but in civilized countries it is rare that they manifest themselves in the form of life-taking unless the offender be insane. All superstition has been said to be a form of insanity, and perhaps it is.

The Emperor William gave Bismarck about the best thing he has used for a word. Perhaps the emperor thought he might light his way to the glory of the world beyond.

A Perfect Anesthetic.

If further tests shall vindicate the judgment of Dr. Northrop, of Philadelphia, he has found a perfect anesthetic in oxygenated chloroform. The patient succumbs easily and quickly, during the state of anesthesia the pulse beats normally and there is but little if any nausea. The use of this anesthetic is said to be entirely without danger. Assuming the discovery to be anywhere near the claim made for it humanity will hail it with joy. It will not be safe, however, to jump to the conclusion that it is all it is said to be.

A Chicago preacher was rash enough to offer to pay to the juvenile members of his flock twenty-five cents for every mistake of pronunciation they detected

in his preaching. The youngsters caught him right and left on familiar words. Very few persons can talk for half an hour without sinning against the pronouncing dictionary. The pulpit is no exception to the rule. Lawyers butcher right and left.

How Will It Work?

General Booth's determination to deploy some skirmishers from the Salvation Army to attack the rich in their fashionable fastnesses involves a departure from the usual methods of his army. There are to be no uniforms, no tambourines, no brass drums, no cornets, no banners. The exhorters are to speak good English and to deport themselves with an upper ten decorum.

Will this way of doing it attract? In what will it differ from the ordinary church ministrations? If the souls of the rich are worth saving, why not devise something that will catch them by its novelty? That was done in behalf of the poor.

They must have been having some unsatisfactory shows in Albany, or the legislators there assembled would not have declared war on tights.

Hot Shot.

If the New York Sun were a Republican and were to perpetrate the following, people would be quick to accuse it of offensive and very mean partisanship:

There is a genius in this town who was recently called upon to find an appropriate name for a small and active tugboat.

The peculiarity of the problem consisted in the fact that the precalculated public function of this tugboat was to pull, convey, and generally superintend certain flat, unwieldy, inert craft of the sort known as dumping scows, which carry a cargo of worthless lumber, and which carry a cargo of worthless lumber, but which carry a cargo of worthless lumber, but which carry a cargo of worthless lumber.

The genius promptly named the tugboat the Daniel S. Lamont.

This is what is meant by throwing in the harpoon and breaking it off short.

The master of the white house would rather go ducking than to read this kind of thing, bright as it is.

Postmaster General Wilson will not introduce free trade into the post office department. There are points beyond which a beautiful and sublime theory cannot go.

An Ideal Train Robbery.

The latest train robbery turns out well—two bandits killed and one caught alive. If the business of robbing railroad trains can be kept going at this rate it will soon play out. It is no part of the robbers' programme to be killed. When this happens others of like ambition are likely to take notice and govern themselves accordingly. In the case now reported the train crew took a hand themselves and binged into the robbers with vigor and accuracy. Cool heads and steady hands are very useful at such times.

Mr. William K. Vanderbilt, from whom his wife was lately divorced, discovers that money does not always make the mare go. He desires to set up a great establishment in Paris and fixed his eye on the very thing. He made a large offer, but the titled gentleman who owns the property is married to a fortune made in trade and does not have to sell. Mr. Vanderbilt should seek the property of somebody who is on the ragged edge.

Japan's expression of regret on account of the attack on Li Hung Chang is more than a mere formality. That country has every reason to feel regret and humiliation that an ambassador come on a peace mission has been assaulted and may lose his life. In a civilized country nothing is more sacred than the person of such an envoy, and this Japan understands thoroughly.

Somebody has worked out an Allison and Elkins ticket for 1896. Senator Elkins is not a candidate for a place on the presidential ticket, and if West Virginia were to be honored with second place Judge Goff would be brought to the front if he would permit it.

If the change in the weather gets in on schedule time it will be here by moving day, when we are promised a much lower temperature. To persons about to move this will be cheering news.

Mr. Richard Croker does not think much of the reform now under way in New York. This is the most surprising news of the day. And to think that Richard will never be himself again.

Max O'Rell has been talking about Chicago as a wicked city and Chicago replies that Max is a liar. The first thing Chicago knows Max O'Rell will devote a book to her.

It is remarked that Colonel Brackinridge has dropped out of the newspapers. Isn't it a further drop than that?

AN OLD PIONEER.

"Uncle" Tom Coger of Braxton County—A Typical Representative of the Heroic Class That Settled the Interior of West Virginia.

To the Editor of the Intelligencer.

Sir:—One of the old time pioneers, trappers and hunters living in Braxton county, a typical representative of that grand heroic class of pioneers who, through dangers and privations unknown to the present generation, forced their way through the wilds and penetrated the dark and almost impenetrable forests of the interior of West Virginia and laid the foundation of a more stable and cultured society, is Thomas Coger, who lives on Elk river, a few miles below Sutton, the county seat of Braxton. He was born and has always lived near where he now resides. He learned when a boy, from his grandfather Coger, many valuable lessons about the life of a pioneer. His grandfather having been a soldier in the war of 1812 and while stationed at Norfolk, Va., fought from an Indian doctor, for a medicine from roots and herbs that have proven to be most excellent remedies and cured many cases that had baffled the skill of the best physicians.

Uncle Tom, as he is familiarly called, is a kind and obliging old gentleman. Outside of the sale of his medicines he makes his living by hunting and trapping. It is doubtful if there is a man in the state who understands the nature

and habits of the wild game and the many tribes as he does. He has lived and spent the greater portion of his time in the solitude of the forests and has made it a life study to snare. The steel trap and the fishing rod have been his life companions.

When the civil war broke out Uncle Tom, like his ancestors, was true to his country and volunteered in the Third West Virginia cavalry and was present and participated in that famous charge that rescued General Custer when he was cut off from his command and surrounded by Stewart's cavalry. For this act of daring Mr. Custer presented each member of the regiment with a red silk necktie and the only ornament of dress that the old veteran takes pride in to this day is his red necktie.

Uncle Tom, whose form was once erect, is now slightly bent. His eyes are blue, with an expression of kindness and benevolence; his beard is but slightly tinged with gray, while his hair is yet raven black and hangs in ringlets over his shoulders. He is a conspicuous figure as he is seen winding his way along the banks of the beautiful Elk with his fishing tackle, or penetrating the forest with his unerring rifle, and his knapsack loaded with steel traps and snares and other implements used by the hunter. He has been bitten several times by poisonous snakes, and has with his gun exterminated more than one of those dangerous reptiles.

A few years more and all the old landmarks and representatives of the early pioneers will be gone, but their noble traits of character, their simplicity, their honesty, unselfishness and daring, should endure them to a people who are the beneficiaries of a country rescued from the wilds and given to civilization.

Flatwood, W. Va., March 25.

LI HUNG CHANG.

The Remarkable Career of the Great Chinese Statesman—The Bismarck of the Orient—Career Practically Closed. Washington Evening Star.

The sympathy expressed in official circles for Li Hung Chang is coupled with much discussion of his remarkable career and some expression of opinion as to how much his fame has been affected and how his place in history will be affected by the recent Chinese reverses. He has for years among civilized people been the most highly respected of all the oriental statesmen. His breadth of view, his progressive tendencies, his firm hold on affairs at home, have generally been accepted as indicating powers of a very high order. He has been called, indeed, "the Bismarck of the Orient"—the man who had knitted his people more closely together and given increased importance to the empire. Until a very recent date, indeed, he was considered the first man in all the world outside the confines and influences of Christian civilization, and to have at his command resources sufficient to dominate the situation all around him.

FEELING WHEN WAR BEGAN.

When Japan first took the field against China it was pronounced the most foolhardy act of modern times. The consensus of opinion was that the little kingdom would be speedily crushed. How could she hope to win? Li Hung Chang had untold wealth and millions of men to draw upon, and he would put a force in the field and on the water that would simply be irresistible. What if the Chinese were backward in military equipment? With so much money on hand, could not she supply herself out of the stores of the more advanced nations, and even hire European commanders to drill her men and fight her ships? But the great reliance was on Li Hung Chang. He was at the helm, he was the greatest of oriental pilots, and everything in the end would go well with his people. The first few Japanese victories were answered with the statement that China, being a big nation, had not yet become aroused. Wait until the giant should wake up and shake himself. Wait until Li Hung Chang had had time to get his great hordes of fighting men fairly afoot. Then little Japan, with one or two dextrous blows, would be knocked into the middle of the next week. But the giant didn't wake up; the great hordes, if afoot, seemed to be facing in the wrong direction; things generally were amiss, and China was obliged to sue for peace to her foolhardy and despised little opponent.

IF LI HUNG CHANG HAD DIED.

The question is asked: What if all this had happened with Li Hung Chang in his grave? What if he had died a few months or a year before the war began, and another man had been in his shoes? How the Chinese would have complained! How they would have sighed for just one hour of the "old man" in his old form! How certain they would have been that under him no such disasters could have overtaken the country! How the Chinese arms would have carried everything before them! This successor's friends would have pleaded in vain for him. It would have been useless for them to point out that China as then engaged was the China of Li Hung Chang, and almost in the same condition in which he had left her. There would still have been the supreme confidence felt that had the great man lived to direct matters everything would have gone China's way. And so Li Hung Chang would have grown even in his grave, and have attained a stature overtopping all but the tallest of the century.

HIS STATURE REDUCED.

How much will these disasters, sustained under the great man, reduce his stature? Or will they serve merely to bring out the real facts, and demonstrate how impossible it was for even an oriental of Li Hung Chang's abilities to succeed amid surroundings of such backwardness and stupidity? He will always receive credit, his admirers claim, for the reforms he wrought, and even for those he tried to bring about, and this, they declare, fixes him securely in a high and permanent place in history. But they admit that the events of the past year will deprive him of much admiration and confidence that otherwise would have attached permanently to his name and fame. He must stand upon the record, which now has its dark places, and not in any measure upon the white, bright ground created by the popular imagination.

LIKESNESS TO BISMARCK.

But the likeness to Bismarck is even thought to continue in the hour of adversity. The great Chinaman, like the great German, is "the king's man." His master may condemn him and humiliate him, but he cannot make him disloyal or indifferent to the empire. Peacock feathers and yellow jackets and all that sort of precious paraphernalia may be withdrawn, but he still loves China and is still willing to work for her. Stripped and unornamented, he responds readily to the emperor's commands and goes to Japan to make terms. It was a painful duty to exact of him. He, like Bismarck, had always carried himself rather haughtily toward his opponents. He had given Japan many a snub. He had shown her repeatedly

that he despised her. And now he was required to go and bend the knee to her and ask her please to put up her sword.

HIS CAREER CLOSED.

While the wish is profound and sincere that he may recover from the assassin's bullet, there is a feeling that if he should die from it, his fame would benefit. What is called a "glorious death" is something that statesmen and soldiers are taught to covet. Glory is largely their game, and glory is their reward. A general may lose a battle, but if he dies on the field, and particularly while directing some perilous feature of the day, he wins out. The historian takes care of him, and the country builds him a monument. Li Hung Chang has played now in the hardest luck for the last nine months. Much of his own prestige is gone, and his country has been humbled into the dust. He has become merely an instrument to arrange the price of peace. This is a great fall for so great a man. But if in performing that service—a great service for his country—he meets his death at the hands of an assassin, it must soften feeling for him and about him everywhere in China and throughout the world. If the curtain falls to a funeral march the whole audience will weep. The great man's career, in any event, is thought to be closed. If peace is arranged he passes from the scene. His power is gone. China must get somebody else for the first place. She cannot hold her own among the nations with a broken idol on her pedestal. She cannot hope longer to conjure with the name of Li Hung Chang. She must try to recover some of her lost ground, and success in such an endeavor can only come through new agents and an entirely new policy. The old order cannot be re-established.

A SLIGHT DISCREPANCY.

Regarding Mrs. Surratt's Colloquy With Father Walter—What De Witt Says.

KINGSTON, N. Y., March 27.—David M. De Witt, of this city, author of the book recently published at Baltimore entitled "The Judicial Murder of Mary E. Surratt," had his attention called to the dispatch sent from Chicago a few days ago regarding the destruction of the proofs of the innocence of Mrs. Surratt by the burning of the house of John W. Clappitt, her former counsel, and the statement of Mr. Clappitt as to Father Walter's story. Mr. De Witt said that it would be difficult to destroy the proofs of Mrs. Surratt's innocence as embodied in his book, which, however, is a demonstration rather of the want of proof of her guilt. In entering the facts for the book, Mr. De Witt continued, he had occasion to visit Washington in the spring of 1893, and while there called on Father Walter.

"He related to me," Mr. De Witt added, "the same colloquy Mr. Clappitt now gives between himself and the poor woman, but the colloquy took place in the cell of the condemned woman just before she was taken to the scaffold, and not on the scaffold itself. She wished to state to the soldiers who had come to conduct her to her death that she was innocent and in their presence and hearing asked her priest to be allowed to do so, when he replied: 'No, my child; the world and all that is in it has now receded forever. It would do no good and it might disturb the serenity of your last moments.' But Father Walter in his interview with me went no further. He intimated nothing to the effect of any such condition being attached to his presence with the condemned woman as Mr. Clappitt now says he stated to him."

HINTS TO HOUSEKEEPERS.

FRIDAY, March 29.

Oh, love of home! who elicits to thee
 Drifts not stray far.
 Be thou, for aye, upon life's sea
 The children's guiding star.

EMMA HUNTINGTON MILLER.

BREAKFAST—Oatmeal. Dates. Broiled fish. Steamed potatoes. Southern corn bread. Apple sauce. Coffee.

DINNER—Roast beef in gravy. Mashed potatoes. Dandelion greens. Cheese. Lobster salad. White bread. Russian cream. Wafers.

SUPPER—Cold meat. Potato cakes. Quince marmalade. Bread and butter. Canned blackberries. Cocoa.

Russian Cream.

Four eggs; one cup of sugar; one quart of milk; one-half box of gelatine dissolved in one pint of hot water; make a custard of the milk, sugar and yolks of eggs; take from the stove and stir in the well-beaten whites of the eggs, add the gelatine; flavor with lemon. Pour into mould and serve with cream.

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Rheumatism Cured.

Rheumatism is caused by lactic acid in the blood attacking the fibrous tissues of the joints. Keep your blood pure and healthy and you will not have rheumatism. Hood's Sarsaparilla gives the blood vitality and richness and tones the whole body, neutralizes the acidity of the blood and thus cures rheumatism.

Hood's Pills are the best after-dinner pills, assist digestion, cure headache.

The increased demand for Smith Brewing Co.'s ale is its best testimonial try it.

It is not a miracle. It won't cure everything, but it will cure bilis. That's what Dr. Witt's Witch Hazel Salve will do, because it has done it in hundreds of cases. Logan Drug Co., Wheeling, W. Va., B. F. Peabody, Benwood, and Bowie & Co., Bridgeport, O.

Relief in Six Hours.

Distressing kidney and bladder diseases relieved in six hours by the "NEW GREAT SOUTH AMERICAN KIDNEY CURE." This new remedy is a great surprise on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in the bladder, kidneys, back and every part of the urinary passage in male or female. It relieves retention of water and pain in passing it almost immediately. If you want quick relief and cure this is your remedy. Sold by R. H. List, druggist, Wheeling, W. Va.

We wish to state to our patrons that One Minute Cough Cure is a safe and reliable remedy for children troubled with croup, colds, hoarseness and lung troubles. It is pleasant to take and quickly cures. Logan Drug Co., Wheeling, W. Va., B. F. Peabody, Benwood, and Bowie & Co., Bridgeport, O.

A severe rheumatic pain in the left shoulder had troubled Mr. J. H. Loper, a well known druggist of Des Moines, Iowa, for over six months. At times the pain was so severe that he could not lift anything. With all he could do he could not get rid of it until he applied Chamberlain's Pain Balm. "I only made three applications of it," he says, "and have since been free from all pain." He now recommends it to persons similarly afflicted.

Children Cry for
 Pitcher's Castoria.

THE TIME HAS COME.

It Has Been Neglected Far Too Long.

The Spring Is The Time For You To Look Out For Yourself.

Symptoms of This Season You Must Hood to Keep Well.

Most serious are those diseases affecting the liver and kidneys. The very thought of them sends a thrill of horror through the body. When the kidneys cannot work death must result. The symptoms pointing to weak or diseased kidneys are, headache, pains or weakness in the back, bloating, changes in the water, tired feeling, loss of appetite, gas in the stomach, indigestion, dyspepsia, dimness of vision, changes in the skin, sleeplessness and nervousness.

Here is a most remarkable cure of liver and kidney disease. Mr. C. R. Joyner, who resides at 10 Chapel street, Westfield, Mass., states: "I was troubled with severe kidney trouble and indigestion, that gave me a nervous, trembling feeling, and I could not sleep very well. I used to wear plaster to relieve that miserable weakness in my kidneys. My liver was also in a bad condition."

"Early in the spring I was feeling so miserable that I decided to try Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy. Up to this time I have taken two bottles, and it has done all for me that I represent, and no one who sees and knows me, will doubt a word of what I say. I have lived in this town thirty years."

"Now my health and strength are restored, as I do not have any pain about me. I can eat anything I wish, and am not bothered with the gas in my stomach. I don't even wear a plaster now, and don't have that tired, heavy feeling in going up stairs, and to express myself, can always skip up and down, and am very thankful, for few can say it who have past their seventy years."

"I think that I came near bright's disease. 'Some people will not take one thing long enough to give it a trial, and do not know whether it will help them or not.' 'New I feel first rate, and I give Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy all the praise, and I recommend the Nervura to all.'"



MRS. C. R. JOYNER.

This great world-renowned preparation, Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy, goes directly to the weakened or diseased organs and cures them. Its curative action on the liver and kidneys is quick and certain. It makes strong nerves, and pure, rich blood, which is just what you most need.

Now in the spring, is the very best time to take it because liver and kidney diseases, as well as nearly all other affections, are more easily and quickly cured now than at any other season. The liver and kidneys are always inactive in spring, after the long cold winter, and to keep perfectly well everybody should use Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy as a spring medicine.

It is not a patent medicine, but the prescription of the most successful living specialist in curing nervous and chronic diseases, Dr. Greene, of 35 West Fourteenth street, New York City. He has the largest practice in the world, and this grand medical discovery is the result of his vast experience. The great reputation of Dr. Greene is a guarantee that his medicine will cure, and the fact that he can be consulted by anyone, at any time, free of charge, personally or by letter, gives absolute assurance of the beneficial action of this wonderful medicine.

W. L. DOUGLAS SHOES.

W. L. DOUGLAS \$3 SHOE IS THE BEST. FIT FOR A KING. \$5. CORDOVAN, FRENCH MANUFACTURED. \$3.99 FINE CALF & KANGAROO. \$3.99 POLICE, 3 SOLES. \$2.99 32 WORKINGMEN'S. \$2.99 EXTRA FINE. \$2.99 BOYS SCHOOL SHOES. LADIES. \$3.99 BEST GONGOLA. \$3.99 W. L. DOUGLAS. BOSTON, MASS.

Over One Million People wear the W. L. Douglas \$3 & \$4 Shoes. All our shoes are equally satisfactory. They give the best value for the money. They equal custom shoes in style and fit. Their wearing qualities are unsurpassed. The prices are uniform—no stamping on sale. From \$1 to \$3 saved over other makes. If your dealer cannot supply you we can. Sold by H. T. Menkeneller, 2131 Market Street. J. T. Stone, 1012 Main street. jw3-mw4p

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 OPERA HOUSE
 Friday and Saturday, March 29 and 30. MATINEE SATURDAY.
 MR. ROLAND REED,
 As General Josiah Limber, in the most notable production of the times.

The Politician!
 Or the Woman's Plank, a satire upon politics.

Matinee prices, 25 and 50c; reserved seats 75c. Night prices, 50 and 75c; reserved seats \$1.00. Seats on sale at C. A. House's music store, Wednesday, March 28.

OPERA HOUSE
 One Night Only and Grand Family Matinee, Tuesday, April 2. A ROMANCE OF COON HOLLOW!

GRAND SCENIC EFFECTS.
 THE BURSTING DAM!
 THE STEAMBOAT RACE!
 THE THIRILLING BURGLEY!
 THE UNBROKEN COTTON PRINCE!
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WANTED—TO SELL A STYLISH driving and saddle horse. A large Color, brown, 8 years old. Address J. H. H. Box 45, City.

NOTICE
 I, the undersigned, will not be responsible for any debts contracted by my wife, Mary West, who this day has left my bed and board.

JOHN WEST,
 WHEELING, W. Va., March 27, 1895.

NOTICE OF CO-PARTNERSHIP.
 The public will take notice that a partnership has this day been formed between Fred J. H. and Adolph Stahl, for the purpose of carrying on the mercantile business at 220 Main street, Wheeling,